

REMARKS

The following remarks are responsive in part to the Office Action mailed June 15, 2004. In the Office Action Claims 1-20 are pending. Claims 1-6 are allowed. Claims 7, 13 and 17 are rejected. Claims 8-12, 14-16 and 18-20 are objected to.

Double Patenting Rejections

The Office Action mailed on June 15, 2004, rejects claims 7, 13 and 17 under the judicially created doctrine of double patenting for allegedly extending the right to exclude subject matter claimed by Claim 1 of US Patent No. 6681320.

Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submitted on September 9, 2004 as a separate paper a Terminal Disclaimer under 37 CFR §1.321(c) to overcome the rejection.

Applicant respectfully submits the present application is in condition for allowance and such action is earnestly solicited.


CONCLUSION

Therefore, Applicant believes that the present application, including Claims 1-20, is currently in condition for allowance and such action is earnestly solicited.

Please charge any shortages and credit any overcharges to our Deposit Account No. 02-2666.

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